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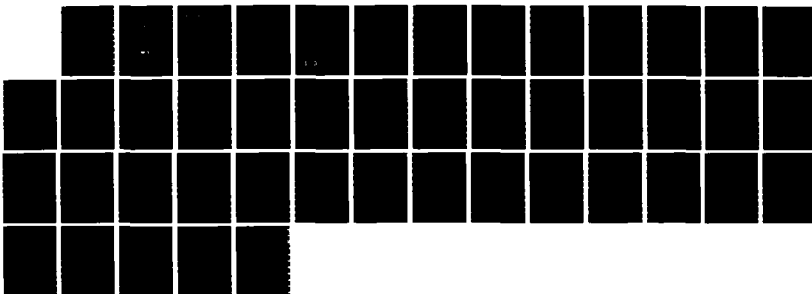
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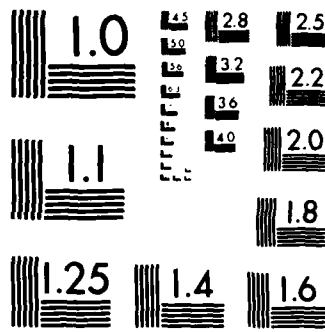
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## FOREWORD

Since the production of Cer-vit ceased, we have become increasingly dependent on Schott's Zerodur and Corning's ULE (type 7971) for use in applications requiring ultra-low thermal expansivity. There are times when neither ULE nor Zerodur are acceptable, particularly for laser gyros. In our search for a replacement for Cer-vit, we have begun by compiling the data found in the open literature through June 1985 on expansion coefficients of oxides and oxide ceramics. This report is the result of our gathering of this data.

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## INTRODUCTION

Since the production of the glass ceramic Cer-vit ceased, we have become increasingly dependent on Schott's Zerodur and Corning's ULE (type 7971) for applications requiring ultra-low thermal expansivity; however, there are applications where neither ULE nor Zerodur are acceptable. For example, ULE has a high helium permeability and cannot be used for laser gyros. Zerodur cannot be used for all laser gyro applications because it is unstable on thermal cycling between -23 and 177°C (-9 and 350°F), which is the operational range of laser gyros. Furthermore, Zerodur is not of a reproducibly acceptable quality nor is it readily available. Because of these problems, the Navy needs new oxide glass ceramics with ultra-low expansion coefficients and low helium permeability.

This report is a compilation of data on expansion coefficients for existing oxides and oxide ceramics. Some of these materials may be suitable for laser gyro applications.

## DISCUSSION

In the past 20 years, there has been an enormous growth of research effort in the measurement of thermal expansion coefficients of materials. These methods can be classified under the two general headings of microscopic (lattice) expansion measurements and macroscopic methods. The observations on thermal expansion can be made using either a static or a dynamic procedure. In the static procedure, the temperature of the material under investigation is maintained constant for a certain interval of time, and the variation of the length that takes place from one temperature to the other is measured.

The linear thermal expansion coefficient,  $\alpha$ , at temperature  $T$  in kelvin units, can be calculated from the following empirical equation

$$\frac{\alpha}{\chi_T} = \gamma \frac{C_V}{V} \quad (1)$$

where

- $\chi_T$  = the isothermal compressibility of the solid
- $\gamma$  = the dimensionless quantity referred to as the Grüneisen constant ( $\gamma$  is about 2 and is temperature independent)
- $C_V$  = molar specific heat
- $V$  = volume of the solid,  $\text{cm}^3$

At high temperatures, the empirical equation for a range of temperatures is given by

$$\alpha_T = A + B (T - T_0) + C (T - T_0)^2 \quad (2)$$

while at very low temperatures

$$\alpha_T = Bt + DT^3 + ET^5 + \dots \quad (3)$$

where

- A = the linear thermal expansion coefficient at temperature  $T_0$  (K) and it is a factor expressed in  $10^{-6}/\text{K}$ ,
- B = factor expressed  $10^{-9}/\text{K}^2$
- C = factor expressed  $10^{-11}/\text{K}^3$
- D = factor expressed  $10^{-11}/\text{K}^4$
- E = factor expressed  $10^{-13}/\text{K}^6$ , and
- T = temperature in K

Equations 2 and 3 are purely empirical in that they have been derived from experimental results and observations. The numerical values of the quantities, A, B, C, etc., are given to two or three significant figures after the decimal point. The number of figures after the decimal point varies in Tables 1 and 2 because some materials have been studied more precisely than others. The columns entitled Method and Remarks give some indication of how  $\alpha$  was measured. The details of the methods applied for measuring coefficients of thermal expansion reported in Tables 1 and 2 can be found in chapter 2 of R. S. Krishnan's book, Thermal Expansion of Crystals (Reference 1).

Table 1 presents a compilation of  $\alpha_T$  for oxides at high temperatures and Table 2 presents some low-temperature data. Much of the description of structural variation with temperature depends on the use of thermal expansion coefficients of volume and linear structural units. Thus, it is important to recognize the limits in the accuracy of reported coefficients. Unit-cell expansion coefficients may be determined on single crystals or powders using either X-ray diffraction or dilatometry. Although the reported precision for many of those experiments is about 1% of the expansion coefficient, several studies on the same material commonly differ by  $\pm 10\%$ .



TABLE 1. Thermal Expansion of Crystals Data (Reference 1).

Compound	Crystal systems	Axis	T <sub>0</sub> , K	A	B	C	Range of temp, K <sup>a</sup>	Accuracy	Method	Remarks	Reference
Almandite 3FeO·Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> ·3SiO <sub>2</sub>	Cubic	...	313	8.24	21.4	0.0	293-343	1 <sup>b</sup>	I <sup>c</sup>	A garnet	2
Aluminum gallium arsenide Al <sub>0.8</sub> Ga <sub>0.2</sub> As	Cubic	...	...	3.1	...	...	163-363	15 <sup>d</sup>	XRE	...	3
Aluminum tungstate Al <sub>4</sub> W <sub>5</sub> O <sub>21</sub>	Cubic	...	...	1.9	...	...	298-973	...	XR	...	4
Ammonium aluminum alum NH <sub>4</sub> Al(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·12H <sub>2</sub> O	Cubic	...	...	6.65	...	...	at 273	1	1	...	5
Antimony oxide Sb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Cubic	...	313	19.63	5.17	0.0	293-324	1	1	...	6
Arsenic oxide As <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Cubic	...	313	41.26	67.9	0.0	293-324	1	1	...	6
Barium nitrate Ba(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	Cubic	...	273	15.8	33.0	0.0	343-523	3	1	...	7
		...	...	17.0	0.0	0.0	195-288	1	Pf	...	8
		...	...	6.7	0.0	0.0	78-195	1	P	...	8
		...	...	3.3	0.0	0.0	0-78	1	P	...	8
Barium titanate BaTiO <sub>3</sub>	Cubic	a <sup>g</sup> a	193 623	8.196 7.482	16.10 9.727	0.0 0.0	393-480 623-1323		XR XR	Measurements made along tetragonal a-direction <sup>h</sup>	9 10
Boracite 6MgO·MgCl <sub>2</sub> ·8B <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Cubic	...	313	3.91	16.9	0.0	293-343	1	1	...	11
Cadmium ammonium sulphate Cd <sub>2</sub> (NH <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Cubic	...	...	-11.4	...	...	at 300?	...	?	Ferroelectric T <sub>c</sub> = 95 K <sup>i</sup>	12
Cobalt ferrite CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	Cubic	...	273	7.326	15.16	0.080	300-938	...	XR	...	13
Cobalt tin ferrite Co <sub>0.2</sub> Sn <sub>0.8</sub> Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	Cubic	...	273	7.512	1.620	0.9340	300-938	...	XR	...	13

Data excerpted from Thermal Expansion of Crystals.

TABLE I. (Contd.)

Compound	Crystal systems	Axis	T <sub>0</sub> , K	A	B	C	Range of temp, K <sup>a</sup>	Accuracy	Method	Remarks	Reference
Grossularite Ca <sub>3</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> (SiO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Cubic	...	313	6.93	17.0	0.0	293-343	1	I	A garnet	2
Lanthanum oxide La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Cubic	...	273	4.94	16.1	-0.94	373-1323	...	Qd.j	...k	14
Magnesium oxide (Periclase) MgO	Cubic	...	273	10.98	5.865	0.1052	123-988	1	I	...	15
		...	273	11.01	5.23	0.2001	298-1151	...	VR	...	16
		...	200	9.43	12.60	-0.69	300-1200	1	3T-cl	...k	17
Magnesium oxide-titanium oxide MgO-Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Cubic	...	...	12.5	...	...	at 473	...	...	...	18
Magnetite Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> (Fe <sub>2</sub> Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> )	Cubic	...	273	8.417	4.051	4.146	314-843	1	I	Curie point at 843 K	19
Manganous silicide MnSi	Cubic	...	...	-16.3	...	0.0	293-1073	...	...	Obeys a straight line variation	20
Nickel oxide NiO	Cubic	...	273	14.0	...	...	at 1173	...	XR	...	21
		...		12.95	0.642	0.069	273-2273	...	VR	...k	21
Sodium chlorate NaClO <sub>3</sub>	Cubic	...	273	42.79	59.73	7.201	397-500	1	I	...	22
		...		30.98	...	...	at 121.7	1	I	...	23
Sodium tungstate Na <sub>2</sub> WO <sub>4</sub>	Cubic	...	273	17.68	27.66	0.0	293-873	...	I	...	24
Spessartite 3MnO·Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> ·5SiO <sub>2</sub>	Cubic	...	313	8.24	21.4	0.0	293-343	1	I	A garnet	25
Spinel MgAl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> (MgO·Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> )	Cubic	...	313	5.93	19.5	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	26
Strontium titanate SrTiO <sub>3</sub>	Cubic	...	273	7.9	13.4	0.4	298-573	3	I	Piezoelectric	27, 28
		...	...	7.5	...	...	at 108	...	VR	...	29

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Compound	Crystal systems	Axis	$T_0$ , K	A	B	C	Range of temp, K <sup>a</sup>	Accuracy	Method	Remarks	Reference
Thorium oxide $\text{ThO}_2$	Cubic	...	1173	11.2	0.0	0.0	1173-2373	...	XR	$\text{CaF}_2$ type till 3473 K	30
Yttrium oxide $\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3$	Cubic	...	...	7.0	...	...	at 473	...	...	...	17
Zirconium tungstate $\text{ZrW}_2\text{O}_7$	Cubic	...	323	-10.3	0.0	0.0	323-475	...	XR	...	4
		...	473	-3.6	0.0	0.0	473-973	...	XR	...	4
Aluminum oxide (Alumina) $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$	Trigonal	c	273	6.582	4.995	0.2578	325-949	1	I	...	31
		a	273	5.425	5.534	0.2876	325-949	1	I	...	31
Aluminum oxide (Corundum) $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$	Trigonal	c	273	6.23	1.8	0.0	273-1173	...	QD	...	32
		a	273	5.85	2.05	0.0	273-1173	...	QD	...	32
Ammonium dihydrogen arsenate $\text{NH}_4\text{H}_2\text{AsO}_4$	Tetragonal	c	273	0.96	0.0	0.0	293-433	...	XR	Antiferroelectric	33
		a	273	17.52	55.02	0.0	293-433	...	XR	...	33
		c	223	5.8	0.0	0.0	223-323	...	I	...	34
		a	223	27.4	0.0	0.0	223-323	...	I	...	34
Ammonium dihydrogen phosphate $\text{NH}_4\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4$	Tetragonal	c	297	1.9	0.0	0.0	297-407	...	XR	Antiferroelectric	27
		a	297	39.3	0.0	0.0	297-407	...	XR	...	27
		c	223	4.2	0.0	0.0	223-323	...	I	...	34
		a	223	32.0	0.0	0.0	223-323	...	I	...	34
Ammonium iodide $\text{NH}_4\text{I}$	Tetragonal	c	273	64.67	494.2	0.0	97-231	...	XR	...	35
		a	273	1.935	159.5	0.0	97-231	...	XR	...	35
Ammonium iodide (deuterated) $\text{ND}_4\text{I}$	Tetragonal	c	273	61.95	466.3	0.0	97-224	...	XR	...	35
		a	273	-12.72	-278.1	0.0	97-224	...	XR	...	35
Barium titanate $\text{BaTiO}_3$	Tetragonal	a	273	13.61	118.3	0.0	288-358	...	XR	Ferroelectric <sup>h</sup>	9
		c	273	-0.158	-328.2	0.0	288-358	...	XR	$T_C = 393 \text{ K}$	9
Barium tungstate $\text{BaWO}_4$	Tetragonal	c	273	17.45	28.797	3.0841	300-628	...	XR	...	36
		a	273	4.22	6.755	0.2965	300-628	...	XR	...	36

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Compound	Crystal systems	Axis	$T_0$ , K	A	B	C	Range of temp, K <sup>a</sup>	Accuracy	Method	Remarks	Reference
Beryl (also emerald) $\text{Al}_2\text{Be}_3(\text{SiO}_3)_6$	Hexagonal	c	...	-2.9	...	...	at 300	...	NR	pure beryl	37
		a	...	2.6	...	...	at 300	...	NR	pure beryl	37
		c	313	-1.348	4.12	0.0	293-343	1	I	pure beryl	26
		a	313	1.0025	4.57	0.0	293-343	1	I	pure beryl	26
		c	...	0.16	...	...	at 300	...	NR	Cr-doped, i.e., emerald	37
Beryllium oxide (bromallite) $\text{BeO}$	Hexagonal	a	...	1.7	...	...	at 300	...	NR	Cr-doped, i.e., emerald	37
		c	273	5.82	5.8	0.0	300-1970	...	NR	...	38
		a	273	6.91	6.0	0.0	300-1970	...	NR	...	38
Beryllium silicate (phenacite) $\text{Be}_2\text{SiO}_5$	Trigonal	c	313	3.79	21.3	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	11
		a	313	2.99	23.0	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	11
Bismuth ferrite $\text{BiFeO}_3$	Hexagonal	c	298	15.1	0.0	0.0	298-598	...	NR	Ferroelectric	39
		a	298	10.9	0.0	0.0	298-598	...	NR	$T = 1120 \text{ K}$	39
		c	617 <sup>b</sup>	65.0	-180.0	20.3	217-1111	...	NR	$D = -10 \times 10^{-14}$	39
		a	617	12.2	0.0	0.0	617-1111	...	NR	$\times 10^{-14}$	39
Brucite $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$	Trigonal	c	293	44.7	0.0	0.0	293-373	4.5 <sup>+</sup>	NR	...	40, 41
		a	293	11.0	0.0	0.0	293-373	13.5 <sup>+</sup>	NR	...	40, 41
Cadmium molybdate $\text{CdMoO}_4$	Tetragonal	c	273	14.91	7.00	1.098	301-353	...	NR	...	42
		a	273	6.10	25.43	-1.915	301-353	...	NR	...	42
Calcite $\text{CaCO}_3$	Trigonal	c	273	24.67	17.42	-0.5141	301-797	3	NR	...	43
		a	273	-3.660	-0.7112	-0.3339	301-797	3	NR	...	43
		c	273	24.71	37.75	-3.653	348-673	3	I	...	44
		c	273	24.39	5.33	-30.7	123-273	1	I	...	45
		a	273	-5.68	0.333	-4.58	123-373	3	I	...	45
Calcium hydroxide $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$	Hexagonal	c	293	33.4	0.0	0.0	293-373	6 <sup>+</sup>	NR	...	40, 41
		a	293	9.8	0.0	0.0	293-373	8 <sup>+</sup>	NR	...	40, 41
Calcium magnesium carbonate (Dolomite) $(\text{Ca}, \text{Mg})\text{CO}_3$	Trigonal	c	313	20.6	36.8	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	46
		a	313	4.15	19.3	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	46

TABLE 1. (Contd.)

Compound	Crystal systems	Axis	T <sub>0</sub> , K	A	B	C	Range of temp, K	Accuracy	Method	Remarks	Reference
Calcium molybdate (powellite) CaMoO <sub>4</sub>	Tetragonal	c	273	11.17	22.99	1.614	303-628	...	XR	...	47
		a	273	7.20	15.06	-0.154	303-628	...	XR	...	47
	Tetragonal	c	273	11.69	22.07	2.143	303-623	...	XR	...	48
		a	273	5.96	12.23	2.485	303-623	...	XR	...	48
Cassiterite SnO <sub>2</sub>	Tetragonal	c	...	3.7	...	...	at 298	...	XR	...	49
		c	313	3.9	12.0	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	50
	Tetragonal	a	313	3.2	7.6	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	50
		a	273	64.17	1.572	0.0	304-1300	...	XR	...	51
Cerium magnesium nitrate (Ce <sub>2</sub> Mg <sub>3</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>12</sub> ·24H <sub>2</sub> O)	Trigonal	c	...	-0.7	...	...	at 10	...	...	...	52
		c	...	3.2	...	...	at 20	...	...	...	52
		c	...	0.5	...	...	at 33	...	...	...	52
		c	...	20.4	...	...	at 50	...	...	...	52
		c	...	43.9	...	...	at 100	...	...	...	52
		c	...	72.2	...	...	at 200	...	...	...	52
	Tetragonal	c	...	99.0	...	...	at 300	...	...	...	52
		a	...	0.1	...	...	at 10	...	...	...	52
		a	...	1.0	...	...	at 20	...	...	...	52
		a	...	2.6	...	...	at 30	...	...	...	52
		a	...	6.8	...	...	at 50	...	...	...	52
		a	...	12.6	...	...	at 100	...	...	...	52
Chromium dioxide CrO <sub>2</sub>	Tetragonal	a	...	14.3	...	...	at 200	...	...	...	52
		a	...	14.7	...	...	at 300	...	...	...	52
		c	...	-15.0	...	...	at 298	...	XR	...	53
		a	...	18.7	...	...	at 298	...	XR	...	53
		c	...	-0.1	...	...	at 643	...	XR	...	53
		a	...	13.5	...	...	at 643	...	XR	...	53
	Trigonal	c	273	9.367	6.591	-0.011321	303-873	...	...	...	54
		a	273	5.232	8.651	-0.010619	303-875	...	...	...	54
		c	...	1.7	...	...	at 298	...	XR	...	53
		a	...	6.1	...	...	at 298	...	XR	...	53
		c	...	5.6	...	...	at 923	...	XR	...	53
		a	...	11.6	...	...	at 923	...	XR	...	53
Gallium sesquioxide (α) Ga <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Trigonal	c	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	53
		a	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	53
		c	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	53
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TABLE I. (Contd.)

Compound	Crystal systems	Axis	$T_0$ , K	A	B	C	Range of temp., K	Accuracy	Method	Remarks	Reference
Guanidine aluminum sulphate hexahydrate (GASH) $C(NH_2)_3Al(H_2O)_6(SO_4)_2$	Hexagonal	c	298	93.3	0.0	0.0	298-328	...	XR	Ferroelectric no $T_C$	55
		a	298	10.0	0.0	0.0	298-328	...	XR		55
Haematite $Fe_2O_3$	Trigonal	c	273	9.36	1.644	0.0	273-1270	...	XR	...	56
		a	273	10.54	4.452	0.0	273-1270	...	XR	...	56
		c	273	7.897	5.285	7.318	320-670	1	I	...	57
		a	273	7.834	10.47	11.72	320-670	1	I	...	57
Lanthanum magnesium nitrate $La_2Mg_3(SO_4)_{12} \cdot 24H_2O$	Trigonal	c	...	-0.7	...	...	at 10	...	...	...	52
		c	...	3.2	...	...	at 20	...	...	...	52
		c	...	8.5	...	...	at 30	...	...	...	52
		c	...	20.4	...	...	at 50	...	...	...	52
		c	...	43.8	...	...	at 100	...	...	...	52
		c	...	72.2	...	...	at 200	...	...	...	52
		c	...	99.0	...	...	at 300	...	...	...	52
		a	...	0.1	...	...	at 10	...	...	...	52
		a	...	1.0	...	...	at 20	...	...	...	52
		a	...	2.6	...	...	at 30	...	...	...	52
		a	...	6.8	...	...	at 50	...	...	...	52
		a	...	12.6	...	...	at 100	...	...	...	52
		a	...	14.3	...	...	at 200	...	...	...	52
		a	...	14.7	...	...	at 300	...	...	...	52
		c	...	9.3	...	...	at 298	...	XR	...	53
		a	...	8.4	...	...	at 298	...	XR	...	53
Lead dioxide $PbO_2$	Tetragonal	c	273	19.26	38.67	-4.905	301-628	...	XR	...	58
		a	273	8.14	19.38	0.823	301-628	...	XR	...	58
Lead molybdate (wulfenite) $PbMoO_4$	Tetragonal	c	273	19.59	3.77	2.888	301-628	...	XP	...	59
		a	273	8.12	0.4647	0.0	301-628	...	XR	...	59
Lithium aluminum ortho-silicate $LiAlSiO_4$ ( $\beta$ -cryptite)	Hexagonal	c	300	-15.2	0.0	0.0	293-1373	...	XR	...	60
		a	300	7.9	0.0	0.0	293-1373	...	XR	...	60

TABLE I. (Contd.)

Compound	Crystal systems	Axis	$T_0$ , K	A	B	C	Range of temp., K	Accuracy	Method	Remarks	Reference
Lithium niobate $\text{LiNbO}_3$	Trigonal	c	273	3.0	0.0	0.0	273-473	...	XR	Ferroelectric	61
		a	273	12.0	0.0	0.0	273-473	...	XR	...	61
		c	473	4.0	0.0	0.0	473-673	...	XR	...	61
		a	473	15.0	0.0	0.0	473-673	...	XR	...	61
		c	673	3.0	0.0	0.0	673-873	...	XR	...	61
		a	673	18.0	0.0	0.0	673-873	...	XR	...	61
		c	873	0.0	0.0	0.0	873-1073	...	XR	...	61
		a	873	19.0	0.0	0.0	873-1073	...	XR	...	61
		c	1073	-6.0	0.0	0.0	1073-1273	...	XR	...	61
		a	1073	26.0	0.0	0.0	1073-1273	...	XR	...	61
		c	1273	-9.0	0.0	0.0	1273-1373	...	XR	...	61
		a	1273	42.0	0.0	0.0	1273-1373	...	XR	...	61
		c	273	7.885	-154.0	0.0	298-573	...	XR	...	62
		b	272	15.655	9.8	0.0	298-573	...	XR	...	62
		a	273	14.045	14.2	0.0	298-573	...	XR	...	62
Magnesium carbonate $\text{MgCO}_3$	Hexagonal	c	313	21.3	13.9	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	11
		a	313	5.99	24.3	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	11
Manganese dioxide (R) (pyrochroite) $\text{MnO}_2$	Tetragonal	c	298	6.93	0.0	0.0	298-770	...	XR	...	63
		a	298	6.69	0.0	0.0	298-770	...	XR	...	63
Potassium dihydrogen arsenate $\text{KH}_2\text{AsO}_4$	c	c	273	30.56	65.4	146.5	298-423	...	XR	Ferroelectric	64
		a	273	15.87	109.3	-8.7	298-423	...	XR	...	64
		c	273	47.1	0.0	0.0	223-323	...	I	...	34
		a	273	24.2	0.0	0.0	223-323	...	I	...	34
		c	273	34.3	0.0	0.0	123-293	...	XR	Ferroelectric $T_c = 123 \text{ K}$	65
Potassium dihydrogen phosphate $\text{KH}_2\text{PO}_4$	a	a	273	21.6	0.0	0.0	123-293	...	XR	...	65
		a	273	22.0	0.0	0.0	123-298	...	I	...	34
		c	273	39.2	0.0	0.0	123-298	...	I	...	34
		a	273	24.9	0.0	0.0	223-323	...	I	...	34
		c	273	44.0	0.0	0.0	223-323	...	I	...	34
Potassium iodate $\text{KIO}_4$	c	c	273	43.73	52.4	1257.8	301-353	...	XR	...	66
		a	273	5.46	612.2	169.2	301-353	...	XR	...	66

TABLE 1. (Contd.)

Compound	Crystal systems	Axis	T <sub>0</sub> , K	A	B	C	Range of temp, K <sup>a</sup>	Accuracy	Method	Remarks	Reference
Rhodium sesquioxide Rh <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Hexagonal	c	273	5.246	6.369	-0.00748	RT-1123	...	XR	Corundum structure	67
		a	273	5.350	1.281	-0.001133	RT-1123	...	XR		67
Rubidium dihydrogen arsenate RbH <sub>2</sub> AsO <sub>4</sub>	Tetragonal	c	273	46.88	0.0	0.0	293-388	...	XR	Ferroelectric	33
		a	273	21.32	0.0	0.0	293-388	...	XR		33
		c	273	49.5	0.0	0.0	223-323	...	I		34
		a	273	16.9	0.0	0.0	223-323	...	I		34
Rubidium dihydrogen phosphate RbH <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	Tetragonal	c	273	52.0	0.0	0.0	303-351	...	XR	Ferroelectric	68
		a	273	27.75	0.0	0.0	303-351	...	XR		68
Ruthenium dioxide RuO <sub>2</sub>	Tetragonal	c	...	-0.1	...	...	at 298	...	XR	...	53
		c	...	-5.7	...	...	at 923	...	XR		53
		a	...	10.6	...	...	at 298	...	XR		53
		a	...	14.4	...	...	at 923	...	XR		53
Scandium borate ScBO <sub>3</sub>	Trigonal	a	273	1.163	3.580	0.2581	323-923	...	XR	...	69
		c	273	9.499	8.945	-0.1418	323-923	...	XR		69
Silicate oxy-apatite	Trigonal	a	...	6.6	...	...	at 300	...	...	[Ca <sub>10</sub> O(PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>6</sub> is oxy-apatite]	70
		c	...	8.9	...	...	at 300	...	...		70
Silicon dioxide (quartz) SiO <sub>2</sub>	Hexagonal	c	273	13.795	4.02	6.93	303-773	...	PR <sup>m</sup>	(Synthetic crystal)	71
		a	273	7.687	4.12	3.81	303-773	...	PR		71
		c	273	7.40	9.48	2.31	293-570	0.5	I		72
		a	273	13.35	18.00	2.76	293-570	0.5	I		72
		c	273	5.13	18.8	0.0	298-770	...	XR		73
		a	273	8.78	40.8	0.0	298-770	...	XR		73
		c	273	7.067	16.724	0.0	273-633	1	I		74
		a	273	13.246	25.25	0.0	283-607	...	...		75
		c	273	7.067	21.11	0.0	173-310	3	I		76
		c	633	25.80	-108.1	20.163	633-723	3	I		76
		c	273	7.380	6.620	1.771	300-985	3	XR		77
		a	273	3.533	5.610	0.4315	300-985	3	XR		77
		c	313	8.19	31.1	0.0	293-323	1	I		78
		a	313	4.68	29.5	0.0	293-323	1	I		78
Titanium dioxide (anatase) TiO <sub>2</sub>	Tetragonal	c	273	7.380	6.620	1.771	300-985	3	XR	...	77
		a	273	3.533	5.610	0.4315	300-985	3	XR		77



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Compound	Crystal systems	AxIs	T <sub>0</sub> , K	A	B	C	Range of temp, K <sup>a</sup>	Accu- racy	Method	Remarks	Refer- ence
Titanium dioxide (rutile) TiO <sub>2</sub>	Tetra- gonal	c	313	9.19	22.5	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	79
			313	7.14	11.0	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	79
Zirconium silicate ZrSiO <sub>4</sub>	Tetra- gonal	c	298	7.6	0.0	0.0	298-1573	...	XR	...	80
			298	4.4	0.0	0.0	293-1573	...	XR	...	80
Chrysoberyl BeAl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	Ortho- rhombic	c	313	5.16	12.2	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	11
			313	6.01	10.1	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	11
			313	6.02	22.0	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	11
Potassium nitrate KNO <sub>3</sub>	Ortho- rhombic	c	273	20.1	0.0	0.0	103-293	...	XR	...	81
			273	22.0	0.0	0.0	303-373	...	XR	...	82
			273	23.5	0.0	0.0	303-373	...	XR	...	82
			273	182.6	0.0	0.0	303-373	...	XR	...	82
Titanium dioxide (brookite) TiO <sub>2</sub>	Ortho- rhombic	c	...	14.494	...	...	at 290.5	1	I	...	78
			...	19.203	...	...	at 290.5	1	I	...	78
			...	22.069	...	...	at 290.5	1	I	...	78
Topaz Al <sub>2</sub> Fe <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub>	Ortho- rhombic	c	273	4.14	16.8	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	83
			273	4.84	15.3	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	83
			273	5.92	18.3	0.0	293-343	1	I	...	83
Tungsten trioxide WO <sub>3</sub>	Ortho- rhombic	c	273	15.3	0.0	0.0	303-623	...	OL <sup>n</sup>	Ferroelectric T <sub>C</sub> = 983 K	84
			273	12.5	0.0	0.0	623-873	...	OL		84
			273	13.0	0.0	0.0	300-603	...	...		85
			273	10.0	0.0	0.0	623-983	...	...		85
			313	13.0	0.0	0.0	300-573	...	XR		86
			313	14.0	0.0	0.0	300-573	...	XR		86
			313	14.0	0.0	0.0	300-573	...	XR		86
			573	17.0	0.0	0.0	573-973	...	XR		86
			573	-1.3	0.0	0.0	573-973	...	XR		86
			573	18.0	0.0	0.0	573-973	...	XR		86

TABLE 1. (Contd.)

Compound	Crystal systems	Axis	T <sub>0</sub> , K	A	B	C	Range of temp, K <sup>a</sup>	Accuracy	Method	Remarks	Reference
Mica K <sub>2</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> AlO <sub>12</sub> or KAl <sub>2</sub> [(OH,F) <sub>2</sub> x AlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub> ]	Mono-clinic	a	...	8.1	...	...	at 324	1	I	Muscovite	87
		b	...	7.5	...	...	at 324	1	I	Muscovite	87
		Cleavage plane <sup>o</sup>	...	8.5	...	...	273-373	1	I	Muscovite	87
			...	13.5	...	...	273-373	1	I	Phlogopite (Al <sub>2</sub> is replaced by Mg <sub>2</sub> )	87
Zirconium oxide (baddeleyite) ZrO <sub>2</sub>	Mono-clinic	1	...	7.4	...	...	493-670	...	XR	...	88
		2	...	0.7	...	...	493-670	...	XR	...	88
		3	...	16.3	...	...	493-670	...	XR	φ = 29°	88
		11	...	8.5	...	...	493-670	...	XR	to [100]	88
Copper sulphate CuSO <sub>4</sub> ·5H <sub>2</sub> O	Triclinic	33	...	14.2	...	...	493-670	...	XR	to [001]	88
		1	...	29.27	...	...	~300	1	I	...	89
		2	...	41.58	...	...	~300	1	I	φ = ?	89
		3	...	4.45	...	...	~300	1	I	...	89

<sup>a</sup> Temperature range at which expansion coefficient is valid.

<sup>b</sup> 1, 2, 3, etc., = subscripts of the principal expansion coefficients.

<sup>c</sup> Interferometer.

<sup>d</sup> Error in the value of  $\alpha$  is given.

<sup>e</sup> X-ray.

<sup>f</sup> Pycnometer.

<sup>g</sup> a, b, c = Crystallographic a-, b-, c-axes.

<sup>h</sup> Denotes that the constants have been obtained from equations  $a_t = b_0 + b_1 t + b_2 t^2 + b_3 t^3$  or  $\frac{\Delta a}{a} (Z) = a' + b't + c't^3$ .

<sup>i</sup> Critical temperature.

<sup>j</sup> Quartz dilatometer.

<sup>k</sup> Computed by least squares procedure.  $b_0, b_1, \dots, b_3$  are constants and  $a', b',$  and  $c'$  are constants. The best

representative curve fitted the equation.

<sup>l</sup> Three terminal capacitance.

<sup>m</sup> Push-rod method.

<sup>n</sup> Optic lever.

<sup>o</sup> Perpendicular cleavage plane.

TABLE 2. Coefficients of Thermal Expansion at Very Low Temperatures of Solids.

Compound, silica	Lattice, $D(10^{-11}/K^4)$	Temperature range, K	Method	Reference
Spectrosil 1000	$-41 \pm 1$	1.5-10	3T-C	90
Spectrosil 1400	$-35 \pm 2$	1.5-10	3T-C	90
Vitreosil 1000	$-40 \pm 1$	1.5-10	3T-C	90
Vitreosil 1400	$-35 \pm 1$	1.5-10	3T-C	90

A variety of factors including material impurities, crystalline defects, or sample preparation may lead to the disagreement between thermal expansion studies. However, even in well-crystallized pure compounds, such as  $MgO$  or  $Al_2O_3$ , a considerable range of published expansion coefficients exist. It appears that systematic experimental errors are very common in thermal expansion measurements, therefore, standardized procedures are needed to increase the accuracy of these studies. Until standardized procedures are developed, the accuracy of any given study must be conservatively accepted as no better than  $\pm 5\%$ .

In Tables 1 and 2, the column labeled Compound lists the formula name and composition of both naturally occurring minerals and synthetic oxides. The second column in Table 1, labeled Crystal systems, lists the structure type. The temperature at which the measurement was made ( $T_0$ ) is in kelvin units. The columns labeled A, B, and C are the values that are needed to solve equations 2 or 3 for the linear thermal expansion coefficient. The eighth column, Range of temp, K, indicates the temperature range for which the given data is applicable.

The compounds reported in Tables 1 and 2 have not been classified in any way. However, most of the compounds are arranged according to the crystal systems to which they belong. In the case of anisotropic crystals, the direction of measurement in the crystal is indicated in the column labeled Axis. Some solids listed have only  $\alpha$  at a particular temperature; this is a reflection of what appears in the literature.

In Table 2, coefficients of thermal expansion at very low temperatures are listed for some commonly used silica glasses. A capacitance technique was used to make these measurements. In the capacitance

dilatometer, the specimen dilates, thus altering the distance between the plates of the condenser producing variations in capacity. A three-terminal capacitance method is used to measure detection of movements as small as  $10^{-9}$  cm and  $10^{-10}$  cm; this allows measurements of  $\alpha$  to be within an error of  $\approx 10^{-10}$ /K. A detailed description of this method is reported by White (Reference 91).

Table 3 lists thermal expansion of fixed-structure and simple structure compounds for which bond thermal expansion is equal to bulk linear expansion.

In a fixed-structure compound, the specific cations and anions fix the structure, while a simple structure compound (e.g.,  $\text{Mg}_{0.33}\text{Fe}_{0.67}\text{O}$ ) is one in which there is only one cation and one anion (e.g.,  $\text{NiO}$ ). The first column lists the compound type, followed by the bond and structure type.  $Z_c$  is the cation valence,  $Z_a$  is the anion valence, and  $n$  is the coordination number. The expansion coefficient  $\bar{\alpha}^*_{1000}$  can be calculated by the following equation.

$$\bar{\alpha}^*_{1000} = \frac{2}{d_0 + d_{1000}} \left( \frac{d_{1000} - d_0}{980} \right) \approx \alpha_{510} \quad (4)$$

where

$d_0$  = mean cation-anion bond distance at 20°C

$d_{1000}$  = mean cation-anion bond distance at 1000°C

Table 4 lists polyhedral thermal expansion coefficients, taking into consideration the variation of isotropic temperature parameters and bonding parameters from complete three-dimensional, high-temperature (>400°C) crystal structure refinements.

Attempts have been made to relate thermal expansion to bonding parameters or other physical properties. Cameron and others related expansion coefficients of metal-oxygen bonds to bond strengths (Reference 132) where the expansion coefficient

$$\alpha = 4\nu\mu\pi^2 C^2 \quad (5)$$

where

$\alpha$  = expansion coefficient

$\nu$  = M-O stretching frequency

$\mu$  = reduced mass

$C$  = speed of light

Although their relationship successfully modeled the bond expansion of their study, the Cameron equation does not predict many of the features of Tables 3 and 4. Cameron's equation does not predict that compounds having the rock salt-type structure such as  $\text{Ni-O}$ ,  $\text{Mg-O}$ ,  $\text{Fe-O}$ , and  $\text{Ba-O}$

TABLE 3. Thermal Expansion of Fixed-Structure and Simple-Structure Compounds for Which Bond Thermal Expansion is Equal to Bulk Linear Expansion (Reference 92).

Compound	Bond	Structure Type	$z_c$	$z_a$	$d(\text{\AA})$	$n$	$\alpha_{1000}^* \times 10^6$ ( $K^{-1}$ )	Reference
NiO	Ni-O	NaCl	2	2	2.08	6	13.5	21
NiO	Ni-O	NaCl	2	2	2.08	6	16.7	93
MgO	Mg-O	NaCl	2	2	2.10	6	13.8	94
MgO	Mg-O	NaCl	2	2	2.10	6	12.7	95
MgO	Mg-O	NaCl	2	2	2.10	6	13.3	96
MgO	Mg-O	NaCl	2	2	2.10	6	12.7	97
MgO	Mg-O	NaCl	2	2	2.10	6	12.4	98
(Mg <sub>13</sub> Fe <sub>67</sub> )O	(Mg, Fe)-O	NaCl	2	2	2.14	6	14.4	99
(Mg <sub>37</sub> Fe <sub>63</sub> )O	(Mg, Fe)-O	NaCl	2	2	2.14	6	13.1	100
(Mg <sub>64</sub> Fe <sub>36</sub> )O	(Mg, Fe)-O	NaCl	2	2	2.12	6	13.5	100
(Mg <sub>84</sub> Fe <sub>16</sub> )O	(Mg, Fe)-O	NaCl	2	2	2.11	6	13.5	100
FeO	Fe-O	NaCl	2	2	2.16	6	12.2	100
FeO	Fe-O	NaCl	2	2	2.16	6	15.2	99
CoO	Co-O	NaCl	2	2	2.13	6	13.8	101
MnO	Mn-O	NaCl	2	2	2.22	6	14.1	102
CdO	Cd-O	NaCl	2	2	2.35	6	13.4	103
CdO	Cd-O	NaCl	2	2	2.35	6	13.2	104
CaO	Ca-O	NaCl	2	2	2.41	6	13.0	96
CaO	Ca-O	NaCl	2	2	2.41	6	13.6	105
SrO	Sr-O	NaCl	2	2	2.58	6	13.7	96
BaO	Ba-O	NaCl	2	2	2.77	6	17.8	106
BaO	Ba-O	NaCl	2	2	2.77	6	12.8	107

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TABLE 3. (Contd.)

Compound	Bond	Structure Type	$z_c$	$z_a$	$d(\text{\AA})$	$n$	$\alpha_{1000} \times 10^{-6} (K^{-1})$	Reference
BeO	Be-O	Zincite	2	2	1.66	4	8.4	96
BeO	Be-O	Zincite	2	2	1.66	4	9.1	105
ZnO	Zn-O	Zincite	2	2	1.80	4	6.8	96
ZnO	Zn-O	Zincite	2	2	1.80	4	7.7	103
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Al-O	Corundum	3	2	1.91	6	8.4	94
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Al-O	Corundum	3	2	1.91	6	9.3	96
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Al-O	Corundum	3	2	1.91	6	8.6	105
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Al-O	Corundum	3	2	1.91	6	8.1	108
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Fe-O	Corundum	3	2	2.03	6	10.3	15
Bi <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Bi-O	Bismite	3	2	2.44	6	9.4	103
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Cr-O	Corundum	3	2	1.99	6	7.2	100
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Cr-O	Corundum	3	2	1.99	6	7.9	102
UO <sub>2</sub>	U-O	Fluorite	4	2	2.37	8	10.6	109
ThO <sub>2</sub>	Th-O	Fluorite	4	2	2.42	8	9.3	109
ThO <sub>2</sub>	Th-O	Fluorite	4	2	2.42	8	8.2	95
ThO <sub>2</sub>	Th-O	Fluorite	4	2	2.42	8	9.6	105
CeO <sub>2</sub>	Ce-O	Fluorite	4	2	2.34	8	12.6	110
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	Zr-O	Baddeleyite	4	2	2.16	7	8.0	94
ZrO <sub>2</sub>	Zr-O	Baddeleyite	4	2	2.16	7	8.4	101
HfO <sub>2</sub>	Hf-O	Baddeleyite	4	2	2.17	7	7.1	105
$\beta$ -SiO <sub>2</sub>	Si-O	$\beta$ Quartz	4	2	1.61	4	0.0	111
ReO <sub>3</sub>	Re-O	ReO <sub>3</sub>	6	2	1.87	6	1.1	112
LiF	Li-F	NaCl	1	1	2.02	6	46	113
NaF	Na-F	NaCl	1	1	2.31	6	45	114

TABLE 3. (Contd.)

Compound	Bond	Structure Type	$z_c$	$z_a$	$d(\text{\AA})$	$n$	$\bar{a}_{1000} \times 10^{-6}$ (K <sup>-1</sup> )	Reference
NaCl	Na-Cl	NaCl	1	1	2.82	6	51	113
NaCl	Na-Cl	NaCl	1	1	2.82	6	55	114
KCl	K-Cl	NaCl	1	1	3.15	6	46	114
KCl	K-Cl	NaCl	1	1	3.15	6	51	114
KBr	K-Br	NaCl	1	1	3.26	6	45	115
KBr	K-Br	NaCl	1	1	3.26	6	49	113
RbBr	Rb-Br	NaCl	1	1	3.43	6	44	115
KI	K-I	NaCl	1	1	3.53	6	47	113
CsBr	Cs-Br	CsCl	1	1	3.71	8	68	114
CaF <sub>2</sub>	Ca-F	CaF <sub>2</sub>	2	1	2.36	8	21	115
CaF <sub>2</sub>	Ca-F	CaF <sub>2</sub>	2	1	2.35	8	22	117
MnS	Mn-S	NaCl	2	2	2.61	6	18	102
PbS	Pb-S	NaCl	2	2	2.97	6	22	118
ZnS	Zn-S	Cubic ZnS	2	2	2.34	4	9	118
ZnS	Zn-S	Hex. ZnS	2	2	2.24	4	10	118
PbTe	Pb-Te	NaCl	2	2	3.23	6	20	119
PbSe	Pb-Se	NaCl	2	2	3.06	6	21	113
ZnSe	Zn-Se	Cubic ZnS	2	2	2.45	4	9	118
AlAs	Al-As	Cubic ZnS	3	3	2.43	4	5.3	120
GaAs	Ga-As	Cubic ZnS	3	3	2.45	4	6.7	121
TiN	Ti-N	NaCl	4	4	2.12	6	9.4	102
BN	B-N	Cubic ZnS	3	3	1.45	4	13.0	122
UN	U-N	NaCl	4	4	2.44	6	8.6	109
NbC	Nb-C	NaCl	4	4	2.23	6	7	123
TaC	Ta-C	NaCl	4	4	2.23	6	7	123
TiC	Ti-C	NaCl	4	4	2.16	6	8	113
ZrC	Zr-C	NaCl	4	4	2.34	6	7	113
C	C-C	Diamond	4	4	1.54	4	3.5	95

NOTE:

$$\bar{a}_{1000} = \frac{2}{d_0 + d_{1000}} \left( \frac{d_{1000} - d_0}{980} \right) \approx a_{310}$$

where  $d_0$  and  $d_{1000}$  are mean cation-anion bond distance at 20°C and 1000°C, respectively.

TABLE 4. Polyhedral Thermal Expansion, Variation of Isotropic Temperature Parameters and Bonding Parameters From Complete Three-Dimensional, High-Temperature (>400°C) Crystal Structure Refinements (Reference 92).

Bond	Structure	Site	Formula	Mineral Name	$z_c$	$z_o$	$d(\text{\AA})$	$\alpha_{\text{iso}}^{\text{iso}} \times 10^6$ (K <sup>-1</sup> )	$\partial B/\partial T$ (\AA <sup>3</sup> /K)	Reference
Mg-O	NaCl		MgO	Periclase	2	2	2.106	12.4(1)	0.0017(1)	98
V-O	Corundum		V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Karelianite	3	2	2.010	13(1)	0.0008(1)	124
Ti-O	Corundum		Ti <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>		3	2	2.046	8(1)	0.0010(1)	125
Si-O	Cristobalite		SiO <sub>2</sub>	Cristobalite	4	2	1.609	0(4)	0.0007(4)	126
Ti-O	Rutile		TiO <sub>2</sub>	Rutile	4	2	1.959	8(1)	0.0014(1)	127
Ti-O	Brookite		TiO <sub>2</sub>	Brookite	4	2	1.960	6(2)	0.0014(1)	127
Ti-O	Anatase		TiO <sub>2</sub>	Anatase	4	2	1.949	8(1)	0.0016(1)	128
Mg-O	Garnet	}	Mg <sub>3</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	Pyrope	2	2	2.269	13(1)	0.0020(1)	129
Al-O					3	2	1.887	7(1)	0.0009(2)	129
Si-O	Garnet	}	Ca <sub>3</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	Grossular	4	2	1.635	4(2)	0.0006(1)	129
Ca-O					2	2	2.406	10(1)	0.0012(1)	129
Al-O					3	2	1.921	6(1)	0.0008(1)	129
Si-O					4	2	1.647	6(2)	0.0010(3)	129
Mg-O	Olivine	}	Mg <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub>	Forsterite	2	2	2.095	16(3)	0.0015(1)	130
Mg-O					2	2	2.133	16(2)	0.0015(1)	130
Si-O					4	2	1.630	-1(3)	0.0009(1)	130
(Mg, Fe)-O	Olivine	}	(Mg <sub>1-x</sub> Fe <sub>x</sub> )SiO <sub>4</sub>	Hortonolite	2	2	2.118	12(1)	0.0016(1)	131
(Mg, Fe)-O					2	2	2.148	12(1)	0.0014(1)	131
Si-O					4	2	1.638	-1(1)	0.0009(1)	131
(Fe, Mg)-O	Olivine	}	(Mg <sub>0.75</sub> Fe <sub>0.25</sub> )SiO <sub>4</sub>	Hortonolite	2	2	2.135	16(4)	0.0015(1)	132
(Fe, Mg)-O					2	2	2.167	14(3)	0.0015(1)	132
Si-O					4	2	1.629	2(3)	0.0009(1)	132
Fe-O	Olivine	}	Fe <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub>	Fayalite	2	2	2.157	12(1)	0.0032(2)	133
Fe-O					2	2	2.179	14(1)	0.0028(2)	133
Si-O					4	2	1.628	-4(3)	0.0018(2)	133

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TABLE 4. (Contd.)

Bond	Structure	Site	Formula	Mineral Name	$z_c$	$z_o$	$d(A)$	$n$	$\alpha_{100}^* \times 10^6$ (K <sup>-1</sup> )	$\partial H / \partial T$ (Å <sup>2</sup> /K)	Reference
Ni-O	Olivine	M1	Ni <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub>	Ni olivine	2	2	2.078	6	15(1)	0.0012(1)	127
Ni-O		M2			2	2	2.100	6	13(1)	0.0013(1)	127
Si-O		T			4	2	1.639	4	0(1)	0.0008(1)	127
Ca-O	Olivine	M1	CaMgSiO <sub>4</sub>	Monticellite	2	2	2.129	6	18(1)	0.0020(2)	127
(Mg, Fe)-O		M2			2	2	2.368	6	13(1)	0.0019(2)	127
Si-O		T			4	2	1.637	4	-3(3)	0.0015(1)	127
Ca-O	Olivine	M1	Ca(Mn <sub>0.41</sub> Mg <sub>0.10</sub> Zn <sub>0.03</sub> )SiO <sub>4</sub>	Glaucochroite	2	2	2.210	6	15(1)	0.0025(1)	127
(Mn, M, -O)		M2			2	2	2.366	6	15(1)	0.0019(1)	127
Si-O		T			4	2	1.640	4	-7(3)	0.0017(1)	127
Ni-O	Spinel	M	Ni <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub>		2	2	2.060	6	13(1)	0.0012(1)	134
Si-O		T			4	2	1.660	4	1(4)	0.0009(1)	134
Ca-O	Sphene		CaTiSiO <sub>5</sub>	Sphene	2	2	2.450	7	16(3)	0.0024(1)	135
Ti-O					4	2	1.956	6	9(2)	0.0012(2)	135
Si-O					4	2	1.639	4	0(2)	0.0007(1)	135
(Fe, Mg)-O	Pseudobrookite		(Fe, Mg)Ti <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Armstrongite	2	2	2.103	6	-11(3)†	0.0014(1)	136
Ti-O					4	2	1.979	6	22(2)†	0.0014(1)	136
Pb-O	Perovskite		PbTiO <sub>3</sub>		2	2	2.843	12	23(8)‡	0.0038(2)	137
Ti-O					4	2	2.013	6	20(10)‡	0.0012(6)	137
Fe-O	Orthopyroxene	M1	FeSiO <sub>3</sub>	Orthoferrosilite	2	2	2.135	6	16(1)	0.0018(1)	138
Fe-O		M2			2	2	2.352	7	24(2)‡	0.0025(1)	138
Si-O		SiA			4	2	1.626	4	-3(1)§	0.0012(1)	138
Si-O		SiB			4	2	1.637	4	-7(1)	0.0012(1)	138
(Mg, Fe)-O	Orthopyroxene	M1	(Mg <sub>3</sub> Fe <sub>3</sub> )SiO <sub>3</sub>	Ferrohypersthene	2	2	2.104	6	20(2)	0.0020(1)	139
Fe-O		M2			2	2	2.340	7	18(2)	0.0030(1)	139
Si-O		SiA			4	2	1.628	4	-3(1)§	0.0018(1)	139
Si-O		SiB			4	2	1.637	4	-16(2)	0.0019(1)	139
(Mg, Fe)-O	Clinopyroxene (2 chain)	M1	(Mg <sub>3</sub> Fe <sub>3</sub> )SiO <sub>3</sub>	Clinohypersthene	2	2	2.111	6	16(2)†	0.0020(2)	140
Fe-O		M2			2	2	2.297	7	-2(4)†	0.0026(1)	140
Si-O		SiA			4	2	1.625	4	-5(5)§	0.0015(2)	140
Si-O		SiB			4	2	1.640	4	-24(4)§	0.0020(2)	140

TABLE 4. (Contd.)

Bond	Structure	Site	Formula	Mineral Name	$z_c$	$z_a$	$d(\text{\AA})$	$n$	$\alpha_{\text{calc}}^* \times 10^4$ (K <sup>-1</sup> )	$\partial B/\partial T$ (Å <sup>2</sup> /K)	Reference
Al-O	Clinopyroxene	M1 M2 T	LiAlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	Spodumene	3	2	1.919	6	10(1)	0.0012(1)	141
Li-O					1	2	2.211	6	20(1)	0.0041(1)	141
Si-O					4	2	1.618	4	1(1)	0.0011(1)	141
Fe-O	Clinopyroxene	M1 M2 T	NaFe <sup>3+</sup> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	Acmite	3	2	2.025	6	8(1)	0.0012(1)	141
Na-O					1	2	2.518	8	13(1)	0.0034(1)	141
Si-O					4	2	1.628	4	1(1)	0.0011(1)	141
Al-O	Clinopyroxene	M1 M2 T	NaAlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	Jadite	3	2	1.929	6	10(1)	0.0009(1)	141
Na-O					1	2	2.469	8	13(1)	0.0026(1)	141
Si-O					4	2	1.625	4	1(1)	0.0008(1)	141
Cr-O	Clinopyroxene	M1 M2 T	NaCrSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	Ureyite	3	2	1.988	6	6(1)	0.0008(1)	141
Na-O					1	2	2.489	8	13(1)	0.0029(1)	141
Si-O					4	2	1.624	4	2(2)	0.0009(1)	141
Fe-O	Clinopyroxene	M1 M2 T	CaFeSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	Hedenbergite	2	2	2.130	6	10(1)	0.0015(1)	141
Ca-O					2	2	2.511	8	16(1)	0.0022(1)	141
Si-O					4	2	1.635	4	0(1)	0.0010(1)	141
Mg-O	Clinopyroxene	M1 M2 T	CaMgSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	Diopside	2	2	2.077	6	14(1)	0.0016(1)	141
Ca-O					2	2	2.498	8	16(1)	0.0023(1)	141
Si-O					4	2	1.635	4	1(1)	0.0011(1)	141
Na-O	Feldspar	Na T <sub>10</sub> T <sub>1m</sub> T <sub>20</sub> T <sub>2m</sub>	NaAlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	High albite	1	2	2.807	9	17(1)	0.0046(2)	142
(Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> )O					3.75	2	1.646	4	-1(1)	0.0015(1)	142
(Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> )O					3.75	2	1.641	4	1(1)	0.0015(1)	142
(Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> )O					3.75	2	1.641	4	-3(1)	0.0015(1)	142
(Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> )O					3.75	2	1.642	4	-4(1)	0.0015(1)	142
Na-O	Feldspar	Na T <sub>10</sub> T <sub>1m</sub> T <sub>20</sub> T <sub>2m</sub>	NaAlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	High albite	1	2	2.807	9	18(1)	0.0045(1)	143
(Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> )O					3.75	2	1.649	4	-3(1)	0.0015(1)	143
(Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> )O					3.75	2	1.642	4	0(1)	0.0015(1)	143
(Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> )O					3.75	2	1.640	4	0(1)	0.0015(1)	143
(Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> )O					3.75	2	1.642	4	-1(1)	0.0015(1)	143

TABLE 4. (Contd.)

Bond	Structure	Site	Formula	Mineral Name	$z_c$	$z_a$	$d(\text{\AA})$	$n$	$\alpha_{\text{exp}}^* \times 10^6$ (K <sup>-1</sup> )	$\partial R / \partial T$ (Å <sup>2</sup> /K)	Reference
Na-O	Feldspar	Na T <sub>10</sub> T <sub>1m</sub> T <sub>1m</sub>	NaAlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Low albite	1	2	2.634	7	35(2)	0.0082(1)	144
Al-O					3	2	1.740	4	0(1)	0.0017(1)	144
Si-O					4	2	1.609	4	-2(1)	0.0015(1)	144
Si-O					4	2	1.614	4	-2(1)	0.0016(1)	144
Si-O	Feldspar	Ca T <sub>10</sub> T <sub>1m</sub> T <sub>1m</sub>	CaAl <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Anorthite	4	2	1.615	4	-1(1)	0.0016(1)	144
Ca-O					2	2	2.493	7	36(7)	0.0021(5)	145
Al-O					3	2	1.747	4	-8(6)	0.0008(2)	145
Si-O					4	2	1.614	4	13(6) <sup>†</sup>	0.0006(2)	145
Na-O	Nepheline		(Na <sub>3</sub> Ca <sub>0.5</sub> K <sub>1.5</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>12</sub> ) □ <sub>0.5</sub> /Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	Nepheline	1	2	2.62	8	48(4)	0.0052(4)	145
Na-O	Zedite		Na <sub>2</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub> · 2H <sub>2</sub> O	Natrolite	1	2	2.445	6	17(1)	0.0011(2)	145
(Mg, Fe) O	Cordierite	M T <sub>1</sub> <sup>1</sup> T <sub>1</sub> <sup>6</sup> T <sub>2</sub> <sup>6</sup> T <sub>2</sub> <sup>1</sup> T <sub>2</sub> <sup>3</sup>	(Mg <sub>1.5</sub> Fe <sub>0.5</sub> ) (Si <sub>4</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>10</sub> ) (M <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>0.5</sub>	Cordierite	2	2	2.108	6	13(1)	0.0015(1)	147
Al-O					3	2	1.758	4	-3(3)	0.0012(1)	147
Al-O					3	2	1.742	4	3(3)	0.0011(1)	147
Si-O					4	1	1.626	4	4(3)	0.0010(1)	147
Si-O	Mica	K M <sub>1</sub> M <sub>2</sub> T	KMg <sub>3</sub> AlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>	Phlogopite	4	2	1.614	4	0(3)	0.0009(1)	147
Si-O					4	2	1.617	4	1(1)	0.0009(1)	147
K-O					1	2	2.987	6	21(4)	0.0064(5)	148
Mg-O					2	1.67	2.056	6	9(6)	0.0018(2)	148
Mg-O	Sillimanite	Al1 Al2 Si	Al <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>5</sub>	Sillimanite	2	1.67	2.070	6	17(6)	0.0025(2)	148
(Al <sub>13</sub> Si <sub>13</sub> ) O					3.75	2	1.651	4	-5(5)	0.0022(2)	148
Al-O					3	2	1.912	6	7(2)	0.0009(1)	149
Al-O					3	2	1.763	4	3(2)	0.0009(1)	149
Si-O	Andalusite	Al1 Al2 Si	Al <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>5</sub>	Andalusite	4	2	1.627	4	1(1)	0.0008(1)	149
Al-O					3	2	1.935	6	12(1)	0.0013(1)	149
Al-O					3	2	1.836	5	6(1)	0.0008(1)	149
Si-O					4	2	1.631	4	0(1)	0.0007(1)	149
Al-O	Kyanite	Al1 Al2 Al3 Al4 Si1 Si2	Al <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>5</sub>	Kyanite	3	2	1.907	6	11(1)	0.0010(1)	149
Al-O					3	2	1.913	6	9(1)	0.0010(1)	149
Al-O					3	2	1.919	6	9(2)	0.0010(1)	149
Al-O					3	2	1.896	6	10(1)	0.0010(1)	149
Si-O	Kyanite	Si1 Si2	Al <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>5</sub>	Kyanite	4	2	1.635	4	2(2)	0.0007(1)	149
Si-O					4	2	1.636	4	3(2)	0.0007(1)	149

TABLE 4. (Contd.)

Bond	Structure	Site	Formula	Mineral Name	$z_0$	$z_a$	$d(\text{\AA})$	$\alpha_{1000}^* \times 10^3$ (K <sup>-1</sup> )	$\frac{\partial B}{\partial T}$ (Å <sup>3</sup> /K)	Reference
Li-O	Stuffed Quartz	Li1	LiAlSiO <sub>4</sub>	$\beta$ Eucryptite	1	2	1.964	4	19(8)	150
Li-O		Li2			1	2	2.080	4	16(10)	150
Li-O		Li3			1	2	2.017	4	31(13)	150
Al-O		Al1			3	2	1.752	4	2(4)	150
Al-O		Al2			3	2	1.713	4	4(6)	150
Si-O		Si1			4	2	1.640	4	5(5)	150
Si-O		Si2			4	2	1.594	4	8(8)	150
Mg-O	Amphibole	M1	Ca <sub>2</sub> Mg <sub>5</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>22</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub>	Tremolite	2	2	2.075	6	13(1)	151
Mg-O		M2			2	2	2.077	6	15(2)	151
Mg-O		M3			2	2	2.066	6	12(1)	151
Ca-O		M4			2	2	2.506	8	16(1)	151
Si-O		T1			4	2	1.620	4	8(1)	151
Si-O		T2			4	2	1.632	4	2(1)	151
Ba-O	Perovskite	Ba	Ba <sub>2</sub> Bi <sup>4+</sup> Bi <sup>3+</sup> O <sub>6</sub>		2	2	3.07	12	15(3)	152
Bi-O		Bi1			3	2	2.28	6	10(6)	152
Bi-O		Bi2			5	2	2.12	6	8(2)	152

$$* \alpha_{1000} = \frac{2}{d_0 + d_{1000}} \left( \frac{d_{1000} d_0}{980} \right) \approx \alpha_{100}$$

where  $d_0$  and  $d_{1000}$  are mean cation anion bond distance at 20°C and 1000°C, respectively

\* These expansion coefficients are anomalous because of cation disordering at high temperature.

† Powder profile refinement.

‡ These expansion coefficients are anomalous because of changes of structural topology at high temperature.  
§ Several high-temperature studies involving phases that undergo transitions have not been included because bond distance variations are not continuous versus temperature. The structure studies include (Ca<sub>1.8</sub>Mg<sub>0.2</sub>Fe<sub>0.2</sub>)-pigeonite (Reference 153); Mg<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> (Reference 154); MgSiO<sub>3</sub>-pyroxenes (References 155 and 156); (Mg<sub>0.7</sub>Si<sub>0.3</sub>)-clinohyphstene (Reference 157); and Mg<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> (OH)<sub>2</sub>-cumingtonite (Reference 158).

have similar expansion coefficients. The data in Tables 1 and 2 are measured values, while the data in Tables 3 and 4 are calculated values.

Some authors have attempted to relate thermal expansivity to other physical variables as was demonstrated by Hanneman and Gatos (Reference 159). The relation between compressibility and thermal expansion coefficients in cubic metals and alloys is that thermal expansion and compressibility are proportional for cubic metals and alloys. Van Uitert and others found a simple inverse relation between the coefficient of thermal expansion and the melting temperature for a large number of close-packed structures (References 160 and 161).

Many investigators have examined the relationships between thermal expansion, thermal vibration amplitudes, and specific heat. The number of attempts to predict thermal expansion and relate expansion to other physical variables attest to the usefulness that such relationships would be for modeling the high-temperature behavior of solid-state materials.

A few simple empirical relationships, which allow the prediction of bond distance changes with temperature, can be deduced from Tables 3 and 4. The first important observation is that all cation coordination polyhedra of a given type (i.e., silicon-oxygen tetrahedra, magnesium-oxygen octahedra) show similar expansion coefficients. For example, Tables 3 and 4 contain 48 compounds containing silicon tetrahedra that have coefficients near or equal to zero within two standard errors. Of the remaining five compounds, two tetrahedra have positive expansion coefficients. In the case of anorthite, the positive expansion of Si-O is accompanied by a large contraction of adjacent Al-O bonds. It seems that these anomalies are caused by disordering of Si and Al rather than changes in bonds of a fixed composition. The other three nonzero Si-O expansivities occur in the tetrahedral chains. In each of these tetrahedral sites, the bridging oxygen to silicon distance shows significant shortening with increasing temperature. Therefore, this anomalous behavior can be due to the changing topology of the material with temperature. The positive expansion in grossular garnet, is still a small, and possibly insignificant, expansion. All of the Mg-O thermal expansion coefficients are consistent with a value of  $14 \times 10^{-6} \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$  ( $\pm 10$ ).

An important conclusion that can be made from these observations is that the thermal expansion coefficient for each type of polyhedron is independent of structural linkages of the polyhedron, as long as the site chemistry and the nearest neighbor configuration of the structure do not change with temperature. Therefore, for each type of cation-oxygen polyhedron, a value for an expansion coefficient exists that may be used to predict behavior at high temperature. A second generalization evident from Table 4 is that all oxygen-based polyhedra with the

same Pauling bond strength (cation valence,  $Z_c$ , divided by coordination number,  $n$ ) have the same  $\bar{\alpha}_{1000}$ .

Bulk thermal expansion coefficients are not only a function of bond distance and bond strength, but also how these polyhedra are linked together. Two polyhedra may be linked by a shared face, a shared edge, a shared corner or merely by Van der Waal's forces. The type and distribution of these polyhedra linkages are the most important factors in determining the bulk thermal expansion of a compound. The most rigid polyhedral linkage is one in which polyhedra share faces or edges in three dimensions. For example, in the rock salt-, corundum-, spinel-, and garnet-type compounds in which a fully edge-linked structure exists, the bulk thermal expansion is small. The bulk thermal expansion is similar in magnitude to the thermal expansion of metal-oxygen polyhedra.

Table 5 lists a variety of nominally single phase oxides with very low ( $<1 \times 10^{-6}/K$ ), low ( $1-4 \times 10^{-6}/K$ ), and intermediate ( $4-9 \times 10^{-6}/K$ ) thermal expansion coefficients (References 162 through 164).

Three expansion coefficients versus temperature plots are illustrated in Figure 1. These are materials that are commonly used as low-expansion materials in the temperature region of 0 to 600 K. As can be seen in this figure, the expansion coefficient is not constant as a function of temperature.

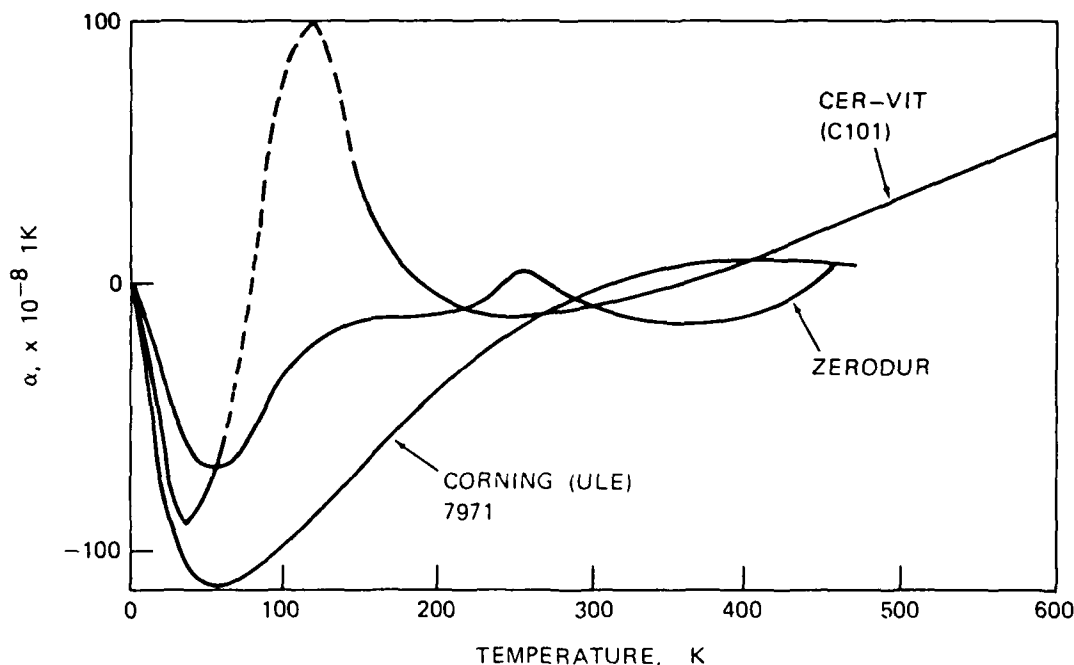


FIGURE 1. Expansion Coefficients Versus Temperature Plots for Some Commonly Used Laser Gyro Materials.

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TABLE 5. Oxides With Very Low to Intermediate Thermal Expansion.

Material	$\alpha \times 10^6$ (K <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>a</sup>	mp <sup>b</sup> (K)	Porosity, %	Crystal system <sup>c</sup>	Refer- ence
<u>Very low</u>					
Ta <sub>16</sub> W <sub>18</sub> O <sub>94</sub>	-5.1	>2050	31	Tetragonal	162
Ta <sub>2</sub> WO <sub>8</sub>	-2 to 3.2	2125	1-36	Orthorhombic	162
Nb <sub>2</sub> Hf <sub>6</sub> O <sub>17</sub> (Solid solution)	-0.7	1700	38	---	163
Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (Solid solution) (Hf <sub>0.8</sub> W <sub>0.8</sub> Ta <sub>1.6</sub> )O <sub>8</sub>	0.0	1690	41	Orthorhombic Ta <sub>2</sub> WO <sub>8</sub> type	163
Hf <sub>1.26</sub> Ti <sub>0.74</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	0.0	>2475	16	Orthorhombic HfTiO <sub>4</sub> type	163
Ta <sub>22</sub> W <sub>4</sub> O <sub>67</sub>	0.6	2130	40	Orthorhombic	162
Al <sub>2</sub> TiO <sub>5</sub> <sup>d</sup>	0.8	2060	12	Orthorhombic	163
<u>Low</u>					
(Hf <sub>0.945</sub> Hf <sub>0.315</sub> Ti <sub>0.74</sub> )O <sub>4</sub>	2.2	2135	12	Orthorhombic HfTiO <sub>4</sub> type	163
Zr <sub>1.71</sub> Nb <sub>10.24</sub> O <sub>29</sub>	2.5	1680	32	Orthorhombic Ti <sub>2</sub> Nb <sub>10</sub> O <sub>29</sub> type	163
Hf <sub>1.71</sub> Nb <sub>10.24</sub> O <sub>29</sub>	3.2	1700	35	Orthorhombic Ti <sub>2</sub> Nb <sub>10</sub> O <sub>29</sub> type	163
Ta <sub>2</sub> TiO <sub>7</sub>	3.4	1920	36	Monoclinic	163
HfTiO <sub>4</sub>	3.6	2455	29	Orthorhombic	163
Nb <sub>2</sub> TiO <sub>7</sub>	3.6	2155	2	Monoclinic	163
<u>Intermediate</u>					
NiTa <sub>2</sub> O <sub>6</sub> <sup>e</sup>	4.1	1965	18	Tetragonal	163
Zr <sub>0.294</sub> Ta <sub>1.765</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	4.2	2000	36	Hexagonal $\delta$ -Ta <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> type	163
AlHfTaO <sub>6</sub>	4.4	2435	30	Orthorhombic	163
AlTaO <sub>4</sub> <sup>e</sup>	5.0	1935	21	Hexagonal	163
(Hf <sub>0.315</sub> Hf <sub>0.315</sub> Ti <sub>0.37</sub> )O <sub>2</sub>	5.9	>2625	5	Monoclinic	163
(Al <sub>0.76</sub> Hf <sub>0.38</sub> Zr <sub>0.38</sub> Ti <sub>0.67</sub> )O <sub>4</sub>	6.4	1925	36	HfO <sub>2</sub> type Orthorhombic HfTiO <sub>4</sub> type	163
YHfTaO <sub>6</sub>	6.6	2185	13	Orthorhombic	164
MgTa <sub>2</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	6.8	2000	38	Tetragonal	163
AlTiTaO <sub>6</sub>	7.1	1970	28	Tetragonal	164
YTiTaO <sub>6</sub>	7.5	2025	28	Orthorhombic	163
Y <sub>2</sub> TiO <sub>5</sub>	8.8	2115	22	Orthorhombic	164

<sup>a</sup> Coefficient of thermal expansion assuming linear thermal expansion from 295-1275 K.

<sup>b</sup> Melting point values measured by differential thermal analysis.

<sup>c</sup> Single phase by X-ray diffraction.

<sup>d</sup> Sample contained some TiO<sub>2</sub> as a second phase as determined by X-ray diffraction.

<sup>e</sup> Sample contained some  $\delta$ -Ta<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> determined by X-ray diffraction.

## CONCLUSIONS

This paper reports expansion coefficients for a variety of oxides and oxide ceramics and discusses some rules for predicting low expansion oxides. Some of the structure types in which low thermal expansion should be expected are rock salt, corundum, spinel, and garnet. This information can make it possible to synthesize new materials with somewhat predictable expansion coefficients. It is possible that a multiphase material can be engineered to have a net zero expansion at a given temperature by forming a ceramic composite with components that have both negative and positive expansion coefficients. This is the approach taken in Zerodur and in ULE, but clearly, some improvements need to be made. However, just having a powder that has the right composition to give a low expansion ceramic is only part of the problem. Studies have indicated that processing can drastically alter expansion properties of oxides. It has been found that fine-grained ( $<10\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ) anisotropic ceramic materials, such as hafnium oxide, hafnium titanate, and tantalum tungstate may exhibit thermal expansion hysteresis effects with minimal observable microcracking or grain boundary separations (References 165 through 167). In ceramic materials, thermal expansion hysteresis can be accounted for by reversible phase transitions or by microcracking.

For large-grained bodies of materials, microcracking is the common cause of thermal expansion hysteresis. Considering fine-grained materials data shows that all materials will have a critical grain size below which no observable microcracking can occur (Reference 168). However, fine-grained ceramic materials have a greater tendency to deform without cracking since mechanical strength is greater, and there is decreased localized grain-boundary stress resulting from thermal expansion anisotropy (Reference 169). Therefore, for ceramic materials, any effect of cyclic plastic deformation (strain induced from thermal cycling) should increase as the grain-size decreases.

Whenever thermal expansion hysteresis is apparent and phase transformations or microcracking are not apparent, hysteresis in the thermal expansion courses of ceramics could be accounted for by a plastic deformation component (caused by thermal stresses at polycrystalline grain boundary) added to the elastic strain (thermal expansion or contraction). Because of the factors that can affect the expansion coefficient of a material, synthesis of "low expansion" ( $<10^{-8}/\text{K}$ ) materials for laser gyro, structural ceramic applications are an area of continuous research.



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